FREDERICK COUNTY LIQUOR BOARD

Public Meeting Minutes Monday, October 25, 2010

Those Present: Mr. James E. McClellan, Chairman

Mr. Robert C. Snyder, Board Member Mr. Charles R. Cline, Board Member

Mr. John Mathias, Frederick County Attorney

Ms. Kathy L. Vahle, Administrator

Mr. Harold C. DeLauter, Alcoholic Bev. Inspector Mrs. Ashley Sklarew, Administrative Specialist IV

A Public Meeting was held at 12 E. Church Street, Frederick, Maryland, and was called to order at 8:30 am by Chairman McClellan.

- 1. **Municipalities -** Ms. Vahle stated that the municipalities receive 50 percent of all the license fees every year. She suggested that the Liquor Board reduce the amount appropriated or limit it all together so that another Liquor Inspector could be hired. John Mathias stated this request was part of the package when they met with the municipalities a year ago. He never heard anything from them and they were surprised they were even getting fees appropriated. The City of Frederick receives the majority of the amount appropriated. The Board discussed this option and agreed they would not pursue this request.
 - 2. **Bentz Street Raw Bar -** The licensees met for a conference with the Board regarding the Beer Pong games. There are three people on the license, but the other two people were excused. Mr. Snyder stated that the Board wanted to discuss how this was being conducted. Mr. David Schiller stated that their establishment housed these games, but it is a national event. It is like a tavern/poker type event. Whoever wins at that location will go to the state finalist games, and the winners receive a trip to Vegas for the annual Beer Pong championship. People who participate pay the promoter an entry fee. The promoter then buys beer from the establishment at \$1.50 a beer. As part of the fee, the winner gets one beer per round. There is a long table with the cups set up graduated like bowling pins. They sit on opposite sides of the table and try to get the ping pong ball into the top of the cup which is filled with water. Each team has two people. Mr. Snyder asked if it involved chug-a-lugging beer for the winners. Mr. Schiller stated there was no chug-a-lugging and they don't have to drink the beer

which is different from traditional beer pong. The winner gets a ticket where they can get a beer, but they don't have to drink it. The Board was satisfied with this explanation.

3. Decision Required: Approval of the Public Meeting Minutes for August 30, 2010 and September 13, 2010.

The Public Meeting Minutes of August 30, 2010 and September 13, 2010 were approved.

MOTION: Mr. Snyder made a motion to approve the minutes

for August 30, 2010 and September 13, 2010.

SECOND: Mr. Cline seconded the motion.

FURTHER DISCUSSION

ON THE MOTION: There was no further discussion on the motion.

VOTE: Mr. Snyder – Aye

Mr. Cline-Aye Mr. McClellan-Aye

The vote was unanimous. Aye - 3 Nay - 0 (Motion Passed)

ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 9:12 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Vahle, Administrator

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